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Bar-Culinary Vice President Tells Progress of This Area

Following is the report of J. H. Morgan, vice president, District 8, to the California State Council of Culinary Workers, Bartenders and Hotel Service Employees, convening this week-end at Santa Barbara, the report published as a service to union members in the district he serves:

This being the first required report in writing, I beg to submit the following for the past year:

WATSONVILLE LOCAL No. 345
—Santa Cruz Area, Santa Cruz County.

Many times during the past year I have been in contact with Secy. Mildred Rowe of Local 345, a mixed local, and have tried to be of whatever service possible in addition to urging political activity, register voters, etc. The membership of Local 345 has been increasing during the past year and stands about 370 members at the present time. Local 345 has been confronted with a very bad situation in that the employers are still refusing to sign a union shop contract with Local 345.

The Santa Cruz area remains one of the last strongholds for the open shop contract in California. The local has done its best and is continuing to try to organize the area, with the hopes of eventually obtaining a Union Shop Agreement. I was able to be present at the negotiations in May in Santa Cruz at which time futile efforts were again made to eliminate the open shop demands of the Restaurant Association, but to no avail.

Last year Local 345 received six cents per hour increase for all classifications across the board and were faced with the invasion by the Allied Craftsmen & Workers of America Union (independent) which tried to eliminate their Union but were defeated.

This year the contract was not opened, by mutual agreement between the Union and Management. Sister Rowe informs me that conditions in her territory are generally slow with one of the main factors present, the change in the lettuce industry pertaining to cutting, packing and cooling operations. The work now is done primarily by Mexican Nationals, etc., and the products are vacuum packed. Most of the work is now done right in the fields and such process has eliminated between 1000 to 1500 workers each season. This causes payrolls to be very noticeably absent in local channels which reflects in the Restaurant and Tavern business.

Organizing drives with special International fees are being conducted in the Santa Cruz area and progress is being made. With the cooperation of the State Federation of Labor, nearby Locals and Locals throughout the state many conventions have been taken out of or stopped from coming to Santa Cruz.

Secy. Rowe asked me to remind the State Council that her local appreciates the past support in this Santa Cruz issue, but that continued future support is necessary in order to finally remove Santa Cruz from the ranks of the open shop towns, so until Santa Cruz is a Union culinary town remember it is not worthy of the support of organized labor or its friends.

Secy. Rowe also asked me to state that International Vice President C. T. McDonough has been of great assistance to Local 345 and has assisted whenever possible. Also a word for willing assistance given to Local 345 by State Federation of Labor, Vice President and Secretary of Local 340, San Mateo, T. A. "Tiny" Small.

Politically Santa Cruz County is

confronted with an individual running for County Supervisor by the name of Francis Silliman, who is the person who represents the AFL (Continued on Page Two)

Carp. Council Hosts S.F. Unit

Monterey Bay District Council of Carpenters held a routine meeting last week, a session abbreviated due to absence of three local business agents, according to Secretary Leo Thiltgen.

Highlight of the meeting was a visit by a delegation from Millwrights Union 102 of San Francisco, headed by James Curry, business agent who led discussions on mutual problems.

Monterey Carpenters Union 1323 was host to the last meeting, held at Monterey Carpenters Hall. Next meeting is Tuesday night, Sept. 14, at Watsonville Labor Temple, with Carpenters Union 771 as host.

SOME SARDINES PROCESSED HERE

First sardines of this season, 6½ tons shipped from a southern port, were processed at the California Packing Corp. plant on Monterey's Cannery Row last week, union officials said.

This is the first actual proof of the belived return of sardines to California waters. Fishermen have not settled on the price to be paid for sardines but a settlement is expected shortly and full scale fishing may be resumed in Monterey area by late this year, first time in many years.

Meanwhile, two plants received and processed anchovies last week and another plant was packing mackerel.

Plumbers 62 Office Hours Are Changed

Monterey Plumbers Union 62 will keep its offices in Carpenter Hall open only on two days a week until further notice, according to an announcement last week by James Hurl, new business agent.

Hurl will keep the office open from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. and from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. only on Thursdays and Fridays.

However, new men to the area may call him at home, 5-3806, any night after 6 p.m. and on Saturdays or Sundays. He lives at 985 Benito Court, Pacific Grove. During daytime, Monday and Wednesday, Hurl may be reached by emergency calls at 7-6421.

Jenkins Fishing

George E. Jenkins, president of the Monterey County Building Trades Council and secretary of Monterey Laborers Union 690, was on a fishing trip last weekend with his wife and friends of San Francisco. They were due back this week, and expected to return with full limits of fish.

Son Bests Eide In Catching Fish

Word from the vacation Thomas Eide family is that son Tommy is catching more fish than is the union business agent! Eide, of Monterey Carpenters Union 1323, traveled first to Yosemite National Park but later he went on to Klamath Falls, Ore. He was due back this week.

Labor Seeking Meet on Rodeo Problems Here

Leaders in the Monterey County Central Labor Union at Salinas asked last week that a meeting be arranged at an early date with the California Rodeo Assn., in charge of the annual Salinas Rodeo, to discuss problems which arose at the last rodeo.

Labor Council Secretary A. J. Clark said details of the problem to be discussed would be disclosed later, but added that unions are interested in seeing that more union people are given jobs in connection with the annual show.

Business was generally routine at the last council meeting, Clark said, with long discussions held on matters of minor importance. Excellent union reports were given, however.

R. A. Wood, council member of the Monterey County Industrial Development committee, reported on progress of the MCID and told of new efforts to bring industry to the Moss Landing area.

Four tickets for the American Legion barbecue were purchased by the council and were distributed to delegates in a special event.

James N. Butler, Jr., secretary of Barbers Union 827, filed a new protest at prisoner barbers at the state medium security prison at Soledad cutting hair of civilian workers at the prison. Butler explained to the council that he has a resolution pending before the State Federation of Labor calling for correction of the situation and urged council assistance in behalf of the resolution. The council voted to study the matter and follow its regular procedure in regard resolutions.

Fair, Horse Show In Monterey Soon

The Monterey County Fair and Horse Show, scheduled August 26-29 at the Fair Grounds in Monterey, is attracting widespread attention among horse breeders and trainers in the Salinas area.

John F. Mattos, Laborers' business agent and participant in horse shows and rodeos in the past, says that the coming horse show has a large entry list, adding that stalls for horses are scarce.

One of the classes which should be of great interest is the mixed roping class, a team of man and woman. In this class, one party head ropes the animal and the other heels it. This is a new class for this year.

Mrs. Johnson On Idaho Trip

Lillian Johnson, office secretary for Laborers Union 272 of Salinas, left late last week on an extended vacation trip which will take her into Idaho, Washington and Nevada. Friends and co-workers said she planned to travel up the Redwood Highway on part of the trip. While on the trip she is expected to spend a short time in Reno, Nevada.

Pickup in Steel Fails to Show

Pittsburgh — The steel business in August shows no signs of a pickup, producers reported. The expected increase in orders from July has not materialized, they said, and no significant rise in demand is seen until September.

AFL DEMANDS—

Kill Slump by Little Man Tax Cut, & Housing

(AFL Release)

New York City.—The American Federation of Labor declared its disagreement with the Government's satisfaction with stabilization of the present economic situation.

The AFL Executive Council, in its summer session here, said the country is in the "economic doldrums," that "the impact of recession still weighs heavily on our country," and

that ending of the "chronic unemployment situation" and restoration of "lasting prosperity" depend upon higher wage income and increased purchasing power.

Government officials, on the other hand, have expressed satisfaction with "stabilization" of the national economy at present levels. The AFL called these levels "low," and said that this country cannot stand still. Increased population, movement of young workers into the labor market, and other factors "require increased levels of activity even if we are only to maintain existing standards," said the AFL.

The Congress was blamed for an expected "continued drift in the economic doldrums" because it failed to increase "purchasing power by reducing taxes for low and middle income families, providing an increase in the minimum wage, and enacting a forward-looking housing program."

Unions have done their part, said the council, to help increase the buying power of low and middle income families. Collective bargaining agreements have resulted — in more than half the settlements — of hourly wage increases of 7 cents or more.

The wage picture, however, said the AFL, is still far from satisfactory.

A \$14 BILLION GAP!

"In the past two months," the federation said, "total wages have leveled out but are still approximately \$6 billion below the annual rate reached in July a year ago."

"By contrast, if full prosperity had been maintained, total wages and salaries would have risen some \$8 billion above last year's level. This gap of \$14 billion in wages and salaries must be filled first if our whole economy is to recover."

The AFL said that:

"The American people must not be lulled into a false sense of security by comparisons of current levels of economic activity with those of several years ago. It is not enough that there be as many employed in 1954 as in 1951 and 1952. It is not enough to have 1954 manufacturing production at the 1951 level but 9 per cent below last year. It is not enough to have purchasing power barely equal to that of preceding years."

"Our country and its needs are constantly expanding." To label 1954 cheerfully as a "second best" economic year is a gross deception, for to do so is to cover up the very real economic deficit brought about by under-employment of workers as well as productive facilities and by slowed trade.

"Policies designed to stabilize the prevailing level of unemployment are intolerable. A constant growth of economic activity is necessary to keep pace with our nation's expansion and to provide a rising standard of living for all."

Monterey CLC To Hear MCID Speaker Soon

Representatives of the Monterey Council Industrial Development corporation, which is seeking to bring new industries to the county, have been invited to address the Monterey Peninsula Central Labor Council at an early meeting, Council Secretary Sonya du Gardyn announced last week.

Lou Gold, president of Culinary-Bartenders Union 483, and William E. Booker, of Carpenters Union 1323, told the council on Aug. 3 of the MCID program and urged that leaders of the council hear firsthand reports of the industry program by MCID officials.

Council business otherwise included issuance of credentials to Nels Pedersen, former council president and member of Teamsters Union 890, to attend the State Federation of Labor convention.

Secretary du Gardyn was delegated by the council to attend meetings of the Carmel City Council.

Discussion was held on pre-paid hospital and medical plans. A committee of Lou Gold, Lester Caveny, Nels Pedersen and George Wilson was named to meet with the county medical society to discuss control of rates for services under such plans.

Greco to Attend Painter Confab

Peter A. Greco, business manager of Salinas Painters Union 1104, will attend the coming international convention for painters in Seattle, Wash., starting Labor Day.

Greco's co-delegate from Local 1104 is Helmer Anderson. The delegates were selected by the union at a recent meeting.

Barber Sec. In Hospital

Doss Hill, recording secretary of Salinas Barbers Union 827 and operator of the El Gabilan Barber Shop, was in Salinas Valley Memorial Hospital last weekend, following a serious heart attack last Wednesday. Union Secretary-Treasurer James N. Butler Jr. said Bro. Hill's condition was sufficiently critical that he cannot have visitors for a time.

Attend Meetings!

Bar-Culinary Vice President Tells Progress

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 lied Craftsmen & Workers of America Union (independent) which has attempted to make jurisdictional disputes with the culinary crafts, teamsters, etc., and has been successful in gaining five grocery stores with a contract. Local 345 has joined with the Central Labor Council in forming a league to fight the election of Silliman. I stressed the need of Local 345 having representation at the forthcoming convention.

SALINAS LOCAL 355 — Monterey and San Benito Counties.

I recently met with Al Clark, secretary of Local 355, a mixed local, and Clark reported conditions as being somewhat bad and suffering from a general national picture plus local conditions hampered by the problem of having Mexican Nationals doing most all of the stoop labor in the fields. Field packing in crates, along with the cutting and trimming has caused considerable unemployment and the process from picking to car loading has been considerably streamlined. Many of the packing sheds have closed and the resultant layoff of 2000 people has caused payrolls to drop by many many thousands of dollars, seriously affecting the economy of the valley.

Curtailment of military personnel in the area is also affecting the economic situation, from the standpoint of crafts, since patronage of military personnel has dropped to a minimum and U.S.O. Hut closing has kept soldiers out of town. Contract negotiations in 1954 settled by renewing the 1953 agreement, however, three classification contracts were rewritten into one basic and one supplemental contract. Basic contract was frozen for five years as a protection against the invasion of independent unions, company unions, etc. This assures Salinas a basic five-year contract Union Shop.

Local 355 is active politically and is getting its people to register and vote. The membership of Local 355 is increasing and now stands at 349. Secy. Clark is secretary of the Central Labor Council and is looking forward to attending the forthcoming convention.

MONTEREY LOCAL 483—Monterey, Carmel, Pacific Grove, Seaside Area, Monterey County.

My recent visit with Robert Armstrong, secretary of Local 483, a mixed local, showed that their membership is increasing. Brother Armstrong stated that they are at present negotiating a pre-paid Health and Welfare plan with five hotels only. Restaurant Association negotiations have not started. One more holiday is requested, that of July 4th. A four-year contract is hoped for this year. Business is slower than usual and with the fishing industry shut down because the fish are in distant waters, tourist business is left as the major activity. Military personnel is limited and construction has slowed down except for government projects. Armstrong stated that organizing in the Carmel Valley area is proceeding and a fair season is hoped for. The local is politically

active and getting their members to register and vote. I also urged representation of Local 483 at the forthcoming convention.

SAN MATEO LOCAL 340—San Mateo, Redwood City, Burlingame, San Carlos, Daly City, San Mateo County.

I had a very nice meeting with Secy. T. A. "Tiny" Small of Local 340, a mixed local, at his office and I should say new office because they have recently purchased and remodeled a building which is adequate for their needs, and a credit to the labor movement. This building was bought and paid for with all improvements, without the necessity of assessing the membership over the years.

Politically the San Mateo Local has been very active and especially with Brother Small being the President of the San Mateo Central Labor Council and also 8th District Vice President of the California State Federation of Labor. "Tiny" informed me that their membership now stands at 2350 and is on the increase.

As to contracts Brother Small explained they are shortly going into negotiations to open their contract. Local 340 has had a Health and Welfare plan in effect for the past five years, the first three years it was carried by the local itself and finally negotiated to be carried by the employers for the past two years.

Brother Small is also treasurer of the San Mateo LLPE. The district is very proud of the fact that one of the members of the International Union selected as International Trustee to audit the books this year was Brother "Tiny" Small from this district and "Tiny" recently returned from that trip.

SAN JOSE BARTENDERS LOCAL 577 and SAN JOSE CULINARY & HOTEL SERVICE LOCAL 180—San Jose, Sunnyvale, Los Gatos, Palo Alto, Gilroy, Los Altos, Mt. View, Santa Clara County.

Culinary Local 180 Secy. Louis Bosco reports a membership of 2299 and increasing. Bartenders Local 577 Secy. J. H. Morgan reports a membership of 412 members and increasing. Last year saw the Local Joint Executive Board of Bartenders & Culinary Workers in Santa Clara County involved in a vicious 44-day strike which lasted from June 1st to July 14th when an agreement was reached.

Both the Union and Management learned many factors and this year we opened negotiations in March and after four meetings (at which time we were fortunate to have in attendance our International Vice President Brother C. T. McDougough) the meetings resulted in a request by the employers that the contract be frozen. The same identical pattern as last year. The Joint Board was offered an adjustment on the hours for the hotel service employees classification from 8 hours per day to 7½ within 8, to conform with the master agreement.

The membership decided in 3 special meetings to accept the H.S.E. hours adjustment, and freeze the rest of the contract until

April 30, 1955 at which time the contract can be opened for wages and one fringe issue. No Health & Welfare plan is in effect by the Joint Board in this area as yet.

I take this opportunity, feeling that it is in order and on behalf of the Local Joint Executive Board of Locals 180 and 577 to thank International Vice President C. T. McDougough, Neil Haggerty and Federation Attorney Charles P. Scully for the immediate and very able assistance in coming to the aid of our Joint Board in time of need, when we were confronted with a restraining order served against us restraining us from picketing the De Anza Hotel and conditioning us to arbitrate the dispute which covered the interpretation of a contract clause.

We arbitrated the dispute and I am very happy to say that the Joint Board won a good victory in this dispute which resulted in the final organizing of the Hotel Service Employees of the De Anza Hotel in San Jose. Culinary Local 180 of the Joint Board in this county is continuing its efforts to organize the motels in this area.

Business conditions in general for both locals in Santa Clara County have been rather slow and the outlook, however is for much less unemployment and much better business as the year progresses. Both locals have been active on the political front and keeping the membership informed of happenings.

On the local front I have been active on many civic functions including one of which is vice president of the San Jose Convention & Tourist Bureau and recording secretary of the Santa Clara County Labor Council. San Jose is looking forward to the opening of the \$60,000,000 Ford Plant the latter part of this year which is expected to bring a considerable increase in population to the area as well as many millions of dollars a year in payroll, which will certainly add to the economical stability of our area.

Incidentally, I have hoped for a long time to see the day when San Jose would host the Culinary Alliance Convention and the State Federation Convention and it looks as though this year San Jose labor might (in conjunction with the Tourist Bureau) extend a bid for 1955, enough said.

This being the first required written report by the vice presidents, I trust the contents will be somewhat along the lines of information expected. I submit the report with the thought that I have considered it an honor to serve as vice president of the Culinary Alliance and of the pleasure in being able to sit as a member with the other officers of our great State Council. Wishing our State Council a most successful convention in Santa Barbara, I remain

Fraternally yours,
 J. H. MORGAN,
 Vice President No. 8.

Your congressman's address is: House Office Building, Washington 25, D. C.



CENTURIES OF MEMBERSHIP in Piledrivers Local 34 were embraced in the combined records of these and other old-timers who were guests of honor at the union's recent annual picnic. All of the old-timers had at least 40 years of continuous membership. Shown here, left to right, are (kneeling) Arnold Kramer, Rolfe O'Neal and George Rounds; (standing) L. E. Wall, Tom Jensen, George Benson, Charles Anderson, Charles Nelson, John Kemp and Frank Hall.

"Are Unions Necessary?"—the Book That Broke the Author

The pro-labor book, "Are Unions Necessary?" it is announced, will be in the hands of 1500 advance subscribers Labor Day.

Behind this simple announcement is an interesting story of a book that "broke" the author, Irving Auerbach, a member and former organizer and steward for Northern California

of Hollywood Local 659, IATSE, and its present delegate to the San Francisco Labor Council.

Brother Auerbach began writing his narrative three years ago, and with a substantial bank balance acquired after many years success as a motion picture writer and producer, felt financially secure and certain that he could complete his tome in three or four months. He discovered that very little can be accomplished in writing a book and publishing it in "three or four months."

Every day of writing, changing, correcting and deleting portions of the manuscript seemed like a fleeting moment to the author, yet these busy days drew their tithe of cost for food, rent, clothing and other normal expenses for him and his family.

On completing the story he submitted it to a number of well-known publishers, each of whom, after a few weeks, returned it without comment. Naturally curious about not receiving rejection slips from them, he asked one of America's leading publishers for reasons and was surprised by his frankness: "We deal with too many employers to jeopardize our business and I think that is why others returned your manuscript without comment."

Brother Auerbach decided to finance the publication himself and sent the manuscript to a number of large book printing and binding firms for quotations, with the proviso that the work be done under all-union conditions.

Meanwhile his once excellent cash reserve shrunk dry. He went to his bank with ample and excellent collateral for a loan to complete the financing and was turned down. He tried other bankers and it seemed that as soon as he explained that the purpose of the book was to help union officials and members win social and economic security for wage-earners they lost interest in making the loan.

Finally, in desperation, he was forced to sell his last reserve of U.S. bonds to make the required payments to an old established all-union book manufacturer for paper, composition, presswork and binding.

"Are Unions Necessary?" has been endorsed by officials affiliated with American Federation of Labor, Congress of Industrial Organizations, United Mine Workers, and independent unions. Single copies are \$3.75. A "Special Offer to Unions" provides attractive book bonus for those who order seven or more copies. Requests for autographed copies of the first edition should be mailed directly to the author, Irving Auerbach, 68 - 7th Ave., San Francisco 18, Calif.

Attend Union Meeting

Looks Like "I Like Ike" Poem Is Coming True

Cincinnati — A recent issue of the Cincinnati Sun, official publication of Greater Cincinnati Union Council, reproduced an "I Like Ike" poem as an editorial.

The Sun explained in an editorial note that Joe White, Labor Council vice-president, had recited the poem many times during his campaign for state representative in 1953, and now wonders if its message isn't coming true. Here's the poem:

I like Ike
 His cheery smile and wide-open grin
 Help me forget the mess I'm in;
 I lost my job, I lost my car;
 I can't even get near a bar;
 I haven't eaten for days and days
 But for good old Ike, I still got praise.
 I wouldn't believe in '52
 When the union said it was true
 The bankers, bosses and Big Money Men
 Were using Ike to get power again.
 But what the hell, I was eating, see
 And besides, the big shots weren't after me;
 I could have my cake and still make dough
 So I let 'em chop at the CIO 'cause I Liked-Ike.
 The first to go was overtime,
 They they cut wages another dime,
 And Ike he said on his TV show
 It was patriotic to give up dough;
 But the price of meat was still sky high
 (And beans was all a man could buy)
 But he said it with such a cheery grin
 I figured that's the way to win.
 So here I am more dead than alive
 Got no job, no pep, no drive,
 But I-like-Ike.
 My belly was full and my blood was hot.
 I had two chickens in every pot,
 And Hoover was gone a long way back
 So I gave the election a big wise-crack;
 It didn't matter about my vote,
 Old Ike would never make Me the goat,
 But Brother, I'm eating grass on the range
 Because I was yelling 'time for a change'
 'Cause I-Liked-Ike.

Union Candidate

Upper Marlboro, Md. — Add the name of Carl Sickles to the growing list of labor candidates for public offices. A member of Local 40 Insurance Agents International Union, he seeks the Democratic nomination to the Maryland House of Delegates.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY, DAN—Friends and well-wishers in the ranks of labor and out gathered recently at a testimonial birthday luncheon given for Daniel Del Carlo, secretary of the San Francisco Building Trades Council. His age? For the record, it's the same as Jack Benny's—39. Shown here standing at the speaker's table are (left to right) Ed Park, State Labor Commissioner; Frank Lawrence, State Industrial Accident Commissioner; John Hogg, Building Trades Council president; Dan Del Carlo; Thomas Melon, president of West Electrical Corp.; Edmund ("Pat") Brown, State Attorney General, and Joseph Murphy, business representative of Hod Carriers 36 and Park Employees 311 and master of ceremonies at the luncheon.

ARE WELFARE PLANS CREEPING SOCIALISM?

(EDITOR'S NOTE: J. H. Morgan, secretary of San Jose Bartenders Union 577 and district vice-president of the State Culinary-Bartenders Council, has completed an extensive research and study into the frequent question, "Are Health and Welfare Plans, National Health Insurance, Prepaid Medicine, etc., actually a Form of Creeping Socialism?" His findings have been summarized into three interesting articles for this paper. Comments will be welcomed.)

PART II—NATIONAL PLANS By J. H. MORGAN

It was back in the year 1949 that the A.M.A. launched its unconditional warfare against the people and Prepaid Health Insurance, and at their annual meeting held in Washington, the A.M.A. House Delegates voted to assess most of its members \$25 a year, to the end of raising an annual political war chest of \$3,000,000.

The assessments, which are compulsory, replace a plan in effect for the previous year under which doctors were asked to contribute \$25 to whip National Health Insurance. A total of \$2,350,000 was collected by this assessment. Incidentally the A.M.A. is a "Closed Shop Operation" and it was not deemed too advisable for any of its members to attempt to refuse to pay money into a fund which would be used to deny (if possible) many of the very same doctors patients the rights to the aid of National Health Insurance.

Let's take a look at the title "National Health Insurance." It is one thing for the doctors to fight Prepaid National Health Insurance, as an alleged burden to medical practice. It is quite another thing for those doctors to campaign against social progress in distant fields.

To get back to the term "National Health Insurance," actually it would NOT be nationalized medicine. The States would have a part in it too and whether it was a State or a nationally operated plan, or one in cooperation with States, in no case would it be state medicine, or socialized medicine. Why, because it would utilize practitioners.

You would most likely pay the doctors (through the plan) according to the plan that the local doctors adopted. I have heard the statement that National Prepaid Health Insurance would discourage young men from entering the field of medicine, by limiting their prospective incomes. It seems to me that a doctor would be in much better financial picture if he accepted a program of Prepaid National Health Insurance and thus gained for him not limited, or unlimited income, but assured, insured, guaranteed income, in that he would not have to hire anyone to send out bills to all of his patients, he need not hire a detective agency, or collection agency gestapo, to threaten the people into paying their bill, and lose 50% of the collected money, as collection fees to the agencies.

Under National Health Insurance, it would seem to me that the doctor would submit his itemized bill for services rendered, to Uncle Sam's Children (young and old alike) by way of the National Prepaid Health Insurance Agency or other title, and if I'm not mistaken the doctor would in very short order receive a check in return for his services, and he could most certainly cash the said check at any bank immediately, which recognizes the legal tender of this Government.

The doctor would need only an office nurse to make his appointments and assist in the requirements of a nurse. It is not wrong to surmise that a program might be worked out also for the young doctor to obtain needed assured medical education by means of supplemental payments for the doctor during his or her internship and during any service rendered in any rural area where his income might be lower. I wouldn't term that kind of assistance to a (budding) young doctor as "Socialized Medicine," would you?

There are many, many problems connected with the eventual hoped-for National Prepaid Health Insurance Program, and I am firmly convinced that the future of such a program lies only in the election of a Democratic administration in the next Presidential election, and the election of a majority of senators and representatives to the Congress of these United States which will give necessary consideration to the needs of the Ameri-

can people, rather than to the needs of profits for Big Business, monopolies, etc.

The present administration has shown that it will do nothing to solve this vital question concerning the nation's health and welfare and is far more concerned with concentrating the country's wealth of assets, natural resources, forested lands, range lands and atomic power, into the hands of the powerful big businesses and monopolies, which we as individuals, (be we Republicans or Democrats) recognize as "Free Enterprise."

It is quite obvious that America is the richest country in all of the world, and by the same token it should be the healthiest country in the world, and until steps are taken to give that necessary health insurance to the people of this country, it would appear that we are not following the probable hopes of the founding fathers when they sat down to finally complete the documents under which we live so proudly.

The A.M.A. is 100% false in its statement that National Health Insurance is "Socialized Medicine." This is not true because it would mean government ownership of all hospitals, and health facilities and the putting of all doctors, nurses and other health personnel on the government payroll.

So far as it seems known, no responsible group in America has ever proposed any such thing. Did we "Socialize" the banks when the government provided insurance for bank deposits? Did we "Socialize" agriculture when the government provided a way for the farmer to insure his crops? Absolutely not! Nor will we socialize medicine when we provide insurance against the high cost of medical care.

Rhodes Slams Ike's Policies

Rep. George Rhodes (D., Pa.) charged that the Eisenhower Administration "has the same fear of abundance that former President Herbert Hoover and his Administration held."

"The end result of the Hoover-Eisenhower policy," Rhodes said in a news column written for the Reading (Pa.) New Era, "is that millions of people will suffer for lack of essential goods that our nation has in abundance."

"Unfortunately, the Hoover-Eisenhower policy calls for curtailment and adjustment while crying that prosperity is just around the corner."

"The Administration talks of saving dollars and then permits the tragic waste of human and natural resources. It permits the waste of idle men and idle factories — the waste of real wealth, without which our dollars would be worthless."

British Labor Split On Arming Germany

London — British trade unionists are split over the issue of rearming West Germany.

Listed for debate at the 86th annual session of the Trades Union Congress in Brighton, Sept. 6 to 10, are seven resolutions on the proposal to rearm West Germany.

Against rearmament are organizations with a membership of 2½ million, and ranged against them are unions with a membership of 3 million. A bitter battle is expected for the remaining 8 million votes.

Calif. Factory Jobs Up 15,600

Manufacturing employment in California increased seasonally to 1,037,900 wage and salary workers in July, 15,600 above June, the California Dept. of Industrial Relations announced last week.

It was explained that the June-July increase was less than the usual rise for this time of year primarily because of work stoppages in the lumber and rubber industries.

Substantial gains between June and July were recorded in several industries. Seasonal expansion in food processing and recovery from the bakery strike accounted for a gain of 26,700 workers in the food products industry. The fabricated metals industry added more than 1,500 workers, reflecting seasonal production in tin can manufacturing. The aircraft industry and private ship repair yards each added about 1,000 workers during the month.

Employment was 46,200 below the July 1953 total, with about 85 per cent of the year-to-year loss in durable goods industries. Declines from a year ago occurred over a wide range of manufacturing industries, both durable and non-durable goods.

Aircraft was the only industry in which employment was substantially above July a year ago. The July 1954 total of 224,000 aircraft workers was 11,000 higher than the July 1953 level.

Teamsterette Queen

Santa Maria, Calif. — Sponsored by labor organizations including Teamsters Local 381 of which her father, Fred, is a member Claire Wellenkamp won all phases of the contest for Queen of the Elks Rodeo here. Her prizes included a \$1000 college scholarship which she'll use 2 years from now when she finishes high school.

Labor Man Needed on State Adult Authority

Preparatory to getting the backing of the forthcoming convention of the California State Federation of Labor for the idea, the San Francisco Building Trades Council at its last meeting adopted a resolution calling on the Governor to appoint a representative of organized labor to the State Adult authority.

The resolution will be presented to the state AFL convention for consideration.

Initiator of the resolution was Council Sec.-Treas. Daniel Del Carlo, who has become deeply concerned with problems of prisoner rehabilitation recently as a result of his work as the council's representative on the Sheriff's Advisory Committee and a similar body set up to aid State Atty.-Gen. Pat Brown.

As presently constituted, the Authority is top-heavy with former police officers, plus lawyers and social workers. It is the authority which fixes the terms of prisoners and decides when they can be released.

Thus a convicted man is up against policemen at both ends of the line, in putting him in prison and in deciding when he may be let out again. A board fully adequate to handle the problem of rehabilitation of prisoners must be of broader make-up, Secretary Del Carlo has come to believe.

"I have discussed this with penologists and other qualified people," he told the council last week, and they agree that just to have policemen, lawyers and social workers on the Authority is not enough."

He stressed that the bulk of prison population is composed of former workers and that a very important part of rehabilitating them would be to enlist the aid of their former unions or with unions in fields where their skills can be used for a fresh start.

Appointment of a labor member to the Authority would facilitate this approach to the problem, he said.

Text of the resolution on this subject adopted by the council follows:

WHEREAS, The Adult Authority of the State of California is composed of Attorneys, Policemen and Social Workers, and

WHEREAS, The prison population is composed of 90% former workers and 10% former employers, and that many of these workers could be greatly assisted in rehabilitation if a representative of organized labor was a member of the Adult Authority.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Building and Construction Trades Council go on record using the Governor to appoint a representative of organized labor to the Adult Authority, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution be presented to the State Federation of Labor Convention, and recommend its adoption.

She, He, in 50 Years

Marion, Ohio. — When Benjamin Stauffer was presented with a 50-year continuous membership emblem at a get-together of Lodge 70, Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen, his wife Anna came in for a similar honor. She has been a member just as long of Ladies' Society Lodge 40, which served the dinner.



Gas and electricity are cheap in California!

When the Smiths moved to California last year, they were delighted with their low gas-electric bill.

Their P. G. and E. bill for one month was \$15.81

Where they used to live, the same amount of gas and electricity would cost \$30.23

Take advantage of your low P. G. and E. rates! Enjoy more of the time-saving and work-saving appliances that make living so much easier.

"Our dishwasher did 860 dishes last month for just 65¢" says

Mrs. T. Leaming Smith, Jr., 21 Cove Road, Belvedere, (shown here with her husband, and two of their three daughters.)

"Three meals a day, all through the month, add up to a lot of dishes to wash. So I consider this wonderful dishwasher a real life-saver. The built-in waste disposer is a big help, too. But what really amazes me is the low cost of running the dishwasher. Imagine, it washed and dried eight hundred sixty dishes last month for sixty-five cents! That's my idea of a bargain!"

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Two Strike-Outs

The 83d Congress, in its closing innings, has struck out twice with the bases filled with legislation vital to the interests of all Americans.

Take housing. It came up before Congress with two important issues at stake. First was the necessity, underscored by recent exposes of huge windfall profits to builders and the widespread cheating of home-owners, to tighten up regulations. This Congress failed to do effectively, as Senator Maybank emphasized, in the new housing bill it adopted. Second was the responsibility of providing an adequate program of low-rent public housing and slum clearance in accordance with declared Congressional purpose and President Eisenhower's repeated recommendations. This, also, Congress failed to do, as both the Republican and Democratic Senators from New York State bitterly attested. Thus, the new housing law falls far short of meeting the Nation's needs.

The second strike-out came on the tax bill. If it is safe and practical in this critical phase of world affairs to reduce taxes, surely the people with low incomes who can least afford to pay heavy taxes—to whom it means bread and milk out of their children's mouths—should get the first break. But that's not the way Congress saw it. Instead, it provided substantial tax relief for coupon clippers. No higher deductions for families with lots of children, but big deductions for stockholders with lots of dividends to collect. And that wasn't all. Congress also voted accelerated depreciation allowances to corporations and bigger depreciation allowances to mining operators. So far as the man in the street was concerned, Congress provided only a few crumbs of tax relief in the way of allowances for working mothers who have to hire babysitters while they are on the job and additional deductions to retired persons over 65.

Campaign Promise Kept

Du Pont reports that in the first half of the year its sales were down 8 per cent from 1953, but that it earned 33 per cent more.

"The report," says the Wall Street Journal, "indicates the company may be on its way to the best earnings year in its history."

How does Du Pont do this with unemployment growing and farm prices falling? It's simple. The company statement attributes the bigger profits over last year largely to the end of the excess profits tax law last Dec. 31.

The "new team" in Washington can't be accused of not fulfilling its 1952 promise to cut business taxes.

The Four B's

"No one knows where we stand on Indo-China. If you add up all the statements made by Eisenhower, the Vice President, the Secretary of State, the military and assorted Republican leaders, the sum total is bluff, bluster, backdown and baloney."

Now who said that? Harry Truman? Adlai Stevenson? Dean Acheson? Steve Mitchell?

Nope, it was none other than John S. Knight, publisher of the Chicago Daily News, Detroit Free Press, Miami Herald and Akron Beacon Journal—and a man who was 100 per cent for Eisenhower in 1952.

TIPS FOR THE HOMEMAKER

Adding eggs to a yeast bread helps produce a fine and delicate texture and, like sugar, they encourage a golden-brown crust. Sometimes, before baking yeast rolls, try brushing their surface with a beaten-egg mixture; this gives them a shiny golden sheen.

A cake is done when, if touched lightly with the finger, it springs back; when it is evenly raised and evenly browned; when it shrinks away from the sides of the pan; and when a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean.

The middy collar appears on many dresses, and also is being adapted for coats and suits. Large, rounded collars also are increasing in numbers, many of these extend-

ing over the top of the arms. Both shapes add novelty ties. Some ties are of the bow type while others are narrow fore-in-hand styles.

Olive oil, lemon juice, salt, freshly ground pepper and grated Parmesan cheese make a different and delicious dressing for salad greens. Toss the greens with the dressing just before serving. If you like garlic, rub the salad bowl with a cut clove of it before adding the greens and dressing.

Dates, raisins or figs will come apart easily if they're placed in a warm oven a few minutes.

Drain glasses on a rubber mat or turkish towel to prevent chipping the rims.



GEORGE JENKINS
Bus. Agt. Laborers Union 690,
Monterey

Should workers be put on the shelf at age 65 or 70, or any particular age?

Employment records show that older workers are more dependable, are less inclined to take time off, and are more thorough in their work. Although some jobs may be too heavy for them, others show a steady increase in ability with longer experience. While they remain on the job, the services of these older workers are particularly valued, but when they are thrown on the labor market they make peculiar obstacles in finding employment.

Out of 13 million Americans who are 65 or over, almost three million are still working, either as employees or in the operation of their own businesses. Since these workers contribute about \$12 million annually to the national economy, their continued activity is of very real importance.

Since 1890 the proportion of those who stay on the job after age 65 has dropped from 68 per cent to 40 per cent. Compulsory retirement at some fixed age, the difficulty which an older worker meets in trying to obtain a new job, and health conditions have combined to reduce the percentage who continue to work after 65.

A job is important to the individual, not only as a means of maintaining his income level but also for the recognition it brings—the feeling of being part of things. Unless the man who has been retired has a program carefully thought out, he may literally die of boredom.

The problem of employing older workers concerns not only those workers themselves, but the community and the nation as well. The community is losing skill and dependability which it can ill afford to spare, and the enforced idleness of older workers willing to work but unable to find employment is estimated to cost the nation \$5 billion annually.

Your Security Office is at 196 San Augustine St., San Jose 10. Phone CYpress 2-2480.

DEMOS BACK
AID TO NEEDY
AGED--PROP. 4

In a smashing state-wide victory support move for Proposition 4, "Aid to Needy Aged," the California State Central Committee of the Democratic Party announced last week it had endorsed the measure increasing pension payments for the needy aged of the state from \$80 to \$100 a month.

The Resolution heartily endorsing the measure was passed in the biennial organizational meeting of the committee in the state-wide convocation.

The Democratic approval was hailed in pro-pension quarters as a giant step toward voter approval of the Proposition in the November election.

California Institute of Social Welfare chairman, George McLain, sponsor of Proposition 4 on the ballot, praised the action as "one of the most conscientious and humanitarian movements the Democratic Party has ever undertaken. We are indeed grateful that the committee representing the majority of voters in California has taken up the cause of the old age pensioners, who heretofore were the most lonely and forgotten

Jobs? Health?—"Pooh, Pooh!"

HELP THE
BIG BOYS

(AFL Release)

Washington.—Rep. George Rhodes (D., Pa.) called for action by Congress and the Administration to do something "about the nation's serious economic situation."

In a House speech, Rhodes said:

"I wish to take this opportunity to ask if the Administration intends to adjourn this Congress without doing something about the Nation's serious economic situation. There are many areas in all parts of the country where there is considerable suffering and distress because of enforced idleness of many thousands of working people.

"How can the Republican leadership continue to ignore the plight of these people, or to say that it is not a serious matter?"

"Several days ago, I was shocked by the insertion in the Congressional Record by one of our Republican colleagues from Ohio. It pooh-poohed recession talk and pointed to the record profits of General Motors and other giant corporations for the first six months of 1954.

"The prosperity now being enjoyed by big monopolies is of little comfort to the millions of workers and their families who must live on inadequate unemployment insurance benefits. It means much less to those whose unemployment insurance checks are running out.

"Tax advantages voted by this Administration to monopoly interests have permitted increased profits to empires like DuPont, General Electric and General Motors, despite reduced sales. Yet the Eisenhower leadership has refused to make adequate improvements in unemployment insurance benefits, or to aid the average citizen with tax relief or a public works program.

"The rush by this Administration to give to the special interests natural resources, tax advantages, public lands, and the people's investment in atomic secrets is a sorry contrast to its do-nothing policy on issues involving the health, prosperity, and welfare of the people.

"Let's have some action before we quit."

Nashville, Tenn.—A second-generation member of Carpenters Local 507 was appointed this city's assistant building inspector. He is John B. Gatlin, whose father, John E. (Shorty) Gatlin, is secretary of the local after serving for many years as its business agent.

Dogcatchers
Go on Strike

New York City.—Fifty dogcatchers seeking union recognition went on strike at three shelters of the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

The employees, mostly truck drivers engaged in animal pickups and hospital attendants, left their jobs when the society refused to negotiate with Local 804 of the Teamsters. The society said it was not required by state labor law to do so because it is a "charitable and educational" group.

The union replied, "Obviously the society is more concerned with animals than people."

Appetite Teasers★

ONION SAUCE

½ cup chopped or finely sliced onion
1 tablespoon table fat
1 tablespoon flour
1 cup milk
Salt and pepper to taste
Cook onion in fat until yellow. Blend in the flour and stir in the milk slowly. Cook over very low heat, stirring constantly, until thickened. Season with salt and pepper. Cook a few minutes longer, stirring occasionally.
Makes one cup. Four servings. About one-fourth cup milk per serving.

PEANUT BUTTER SAUCE
FOR VEGETABLES
1 tablespoon butter or margarine
¼ cup peanut butter
2 teaspoons flour
½ teaspoon salt
Pepper
1 cup milk
Melt butter or margarine in a pan over boiling water. Blend in the peanut butter. Add flour and seasonings and stir until smooth. Stir in the milk slowly. Cook over boiling water until thickened, stirring constantly. Serve on cooked cabbage, onions or cauliflower.
Makes about one cup. Four servings. About one-fourth cup milk per serving.

MILK IN VEGETABLE
5-MINUTE CABBAGE
3 cups milk
2 quarts shredded cabbage
3 tablespoons flour
3 tablespoons melted butter or margarine
Salt and pepper to taste
Heat milk, add shredded cabbage and simmer for about two minutes. Mix flour with melted fat. Add to this blended fat a little of the hot milk. Stir into the cabbage and cook for three or four minutes, stirring all the while. Season to taste with salt and pepper and serve at once.
Six servings. One-half cup milk per serving.

N.Y., N.J. Workers
Win \$36,734 Back Pay

New York City.—A total of 161 employers in New York and New Jersey agreed to pay back wages of \$36,734 to 504 employees as a result of investigations made under Federal wage and hour laws during July 1954.

The Labor Department's wage and hour division's regional office said the payments were to make up for failure to comply principally with overtime provisions of the wage-hour laws.

Making Ends Meet— Price Fixing, Speculation Caused Coffee to Skyrocket

By NANCY PRATT

Price fixing and speculation are primarily responsible for the rapid rise in coffee prices this spring, according to a report issued recently by the Federal Trade Commission.

Although coffee prices more than doubled in the last five years, their most spectacular rise was between January and April of this year when the price went from an average of 94.5 cents to nearly \$1.14 a pound—an increase of over 20 per cent.

At the time of the 1954 price hikes, the coffee industry held crop failure stemming from early frosts in Brazil responsible for the increases. The FTC investigation found that this damage "had no significant effect on the 1953-54 crop."

Rather the price boom was "almost wholly" the result of price manipulation on the part of five large coffee roasters who, because of their concentrated power and the lack of price-fixing safeguards, are able to control coffee prices through trading irregularities on the New York Coffee and Sugar Exchange.

Inadequate crop reports based on understatement of annual supply and exaggerations of crop damage, combined with an increase in Brazil's minimum export price and speculation by Brazilian exporters, were also significant in inflating American wholesale prices.

The report recommended that the FTC hold extensive hearings on this question to be followed by proposals for legislation to protect the consumer.

A number of bills are now pending in Congress as a result of a recent Senate subcommittee report on the coffee question which recommended corrective legislation, but none of these are expected to see the light of day in this session.

RESTAURANTS PROFIT

An interesting sidelight to the FTC report was its finding that restaurants capitalized on the coffee situation last spring to add to their profit by about 100 to 500 per cent per cup.

The FTC noted that the cost of coffee for a five-ounce cup is only two cents with the cost of coffee at \$1 a pound and only 2.8 cents when coffee costs \$1.40 a pound. Although the coffee increase actually added less than 1 cent to the cost of a restaurant cup of coffee, restaurants generally raised prices from five to 10 cents, or from 10 to 15, 20, and even 25 cents a cup—a decided bonanza to the owner at the public's expense.

COOKING HINT

Small or "pullet" eggs are often a good value this season of the year. When cooking with small eggs, remember that recipes sometimes need adjustment when good results depend on a definite proportion of egg in the mixture. A convenient rule to follow is that seven small eggs weigh about the same as six medium ones.

With angel food or sponge cake where the proportion of egg white is important, measuring or weighing the egg white gives more accurate results than a count of the eggs. A successful measure for angel food cake is one cup of egg white for each cup of flour.

UNION LABEL

For complete satisfaction, always demand the union label.

Arizona Letter Tells of The Eisenhower Depression

Bus. Rep. O. E. McNally of Machinists Local 238 returned last week from the meeting of the Western States Conference of Machinists in Salt Lake City, Utah, with a report that it was a busy and productive session, but with a feeling that one of the greatest contributors to understanding of what is happening to labor under the Eisenhower Administration was made by a district lodge that couldn't send a delegate.

He brought back with him the following copy of a letter from Ranger District Lodge No. 49, Phoenix, Ariz., telling why the lodge was too broke to send a delegate:

Ranger District Lodge No. 49
Phoenix, Arizona

July 24, 1954

Western States Conference of Machinists
Newhouse Hotel
Fourth and Main Streets
Salt Lake City, Utah
Greetings:

We wish to extend our best wishes for a successful convention.

We sincerely regret our inability to be in attendance. The reason for our inability to send delegates is the lack of finances, which can be attributed directly to the Republican Depression that engulfs the State of Arizona. "I Like Ike" buttons are very scarce around here.

Brothers, if there is any doubt in your minds as to a depression, we invite you to Phoenix.

We are sure that you are fully aware that we enjoy wonderful "State's Rights" here in Arizona.

We have a "Right-to-Work-for-Nothing" Law

We have the "Right-Not-to-Picket" Law

The Right to Inadequate Unemployment Compensation

The Right to Inadequate Workmen's Compensation

The Right to Work Under Unsafe Working Conditions

The Right for Scabs to take our Jobs

The Right to have Senator "Tidewater" Goldwater on the U.S. Senate Labor Committee

And the Right to have Chambers of Commerce and other organizations spend fabulous sums to bring people into Arizona while there is no visible way to support them — except to aid employers to avail themselves of their Union-Busting Rights by taking our jobs.

Although Arizona, out of the 48 states, rates 45th in Highway safety, we must be 49th in the field of Industrial Relations.

You, of course, recognize that this is where "The Sun Spends the Winter." We have the right to enjoy that too, along with the fact that the sun stays here all summer besides.

We trust the delegates in attendance at the Western States Conference of Machinists will advise the membership in the respective lodges to stay away from Phoenix unless they have a firm commitment for employment prior to arrival.

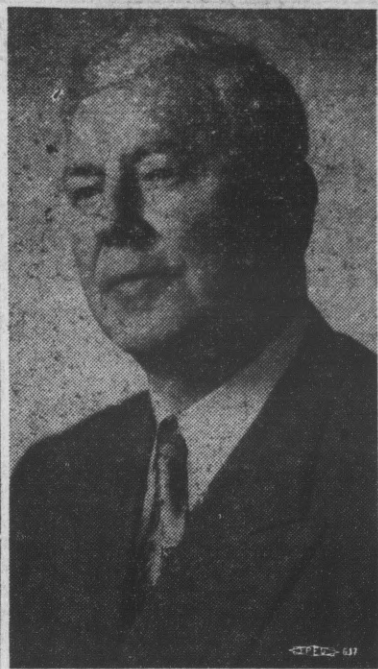
In closing this description of conditions in "The White Man's Graveyard," we would remind you that Arizona, like Hell, only needs a better class of people and some water.

With best wishes, we remain,

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

EARL N. ANDERSON, Business Representative

Among California's Union Leaders



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Council



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Calif. Plasterers Demand—

Hire 1 Older Man in Five!

(State Fed. Release)

Demands for protection of older craftsmen headed up resolutions adopted at the annual two-day convention of the AFL State Conference of Plasterers and Cement Masons held last week in Oakland.

The conference approved and forwarded to international headquarters for legal study a resolution calling for employment of one worker 47 years or older in every job group of five whenever unemployment exists in a local.

Election of officers found Edward J. Edwards, Pasadena, named

president; Frank J. Nieberding, San Francisco, secretary-treasurer; Melvin Roots, Oakland, 1st vice president; Paul Robertson, San Diego, 2nd vice president; Clyde Bell, Sacramento, 3rd vice president; and Clarence W. Kostenbader, Santa Monica, sergeant-at-arms.

YOUR ECONOMICS AND MINE—

CRISIS IN HOUSING

(This is the 25th in a series of articles entitled YOUR ECONOMICS AND MINE, dealing with vital economic discussions of the day. The series is prepared and distributed by the California State Federation of Labor.)

The United States is a country rich in land, skilled labor, industrial know-how and raw materials.

These advantages have helped to produce goods and services which have constantly increased the national income and helped America achieve the highest standard of living in the world.

Thus, it is the more disturbing that in the critical area of housing, the U.S. record is below that of many poorer nations.

The housing problem falls into two distinct headaches: (1) slums; (2) insufficient construction of houses for private ownership.

Slums are largely responsible for juvenile delinquency. They produce a high rate of crime, unnecessary sickness, a high death rate, and an alarming fire rate.

A number of governmental measures were passed in the 1930's and since the end of World War II to remedy this situation. The latest of such measures is the national Housing Act of 1949 which provided for the building of over 800,000 low-rent housing units in six years. This "Truman Program" would call for the construction of about 135,000 units per year.

Therefore, the proposal of the Eisenhower Administration calling for the building of 35,000 low-cost housing units per year is a mere drop in the bucket.

The Executive Council of the American Federation of Labor recommended in February, 1954, that at least 600,000 units of low-rent public housing be constructed in the next three years.

President Eisenhower's Advisory Committee on Housing stated that if the U.S. continues its present pace of slum clearance, it will take 200 years to complete the job! But the housing problem is by no means restricted to the slums.

The Census of 1950 showed that two and a half million non-farm homes were "dilapidated," which by the government's strict definition means that they were "rundown or neglected" and that "they should be torn down, extensively repaired or rebuilt." The same Census showed that:

20 percent of all homes lacked private inside toilets.

23 percent lacked private installed bathtub or shower and the FHA, the home finance agency, reports that in 1950:

15 percent of all homes averaged more than one person per room.

6 percent of all homes average more than one and one-half persons per room.

In spite of the great improvement in our standard of living, the AFL estimated recently that only 25 percent of families whose incomes are over \$5000 can afford to buy or rent a new dwelling today. To make possible such home ownership by our middle-income groups, the Executive Council of the AFL has called for long-term, low-cost loans for cooperative and non-profit housing and protection for home buyers under federally assisted programs, including a requirement of a mandatory builder's

warranty against structural defects.

However, the 83rd Congress proved deaf to all such appeals for equitable housing. In the last week of July the Senate drove the final nail in the coffin of the low-rent public housing program when it approved the housing Act of 1954, which while permitting 35,000 units for this fiscal year, limits such units to communities already having functioning programs of slum clearance and redevelopment. AFL spokesmen state that under the "slum clearance - redevelopment" restriction not more than 5000 units a year can be constructed.

NLRB Tightens Restrictions on Wage Strikes

Washington—In another of the series of decisions weakening the power of organized labor, the National Labor Relations Board tightened restrictions on the right to strike over wage contract demands.

A three-man majority of the Republican appointees on the board ruled that a union cannot strike over contract demands except at the expiration of the contract, or at a time set for its alteration, and in either case, must wait until the end of a 60-day notice of a desire to change the contract.

Previously, the NLRB has held that a union may strike at any time during the life of a contract provided that it gives a 60-day notice of intent to strike.

Under the new interpretation of the Taft-Hartley Act, workers who strike before a contract termination or alteration date lose their right to their jobs. The employer is not obligated to put them back on the payroll after the strike.

In the case of contracts of indefinite duration, the majority said, the 60-day notice to change or terminate the contract would fix the expiration date.

Wage Increase Won by IBEW

Indianapolis, Ind. — About 9,100 members of the Electrical Workers Brotherhood won a 3 per cent wage increase, with a 4½-cent-an-hour minimum hike, under terms of a new contract negotiated with the Radio Corporation of America. The agreement affects RCA plants in Indianapolis, Marion and Bloomington.

Other features of the new pact include reclassification of certain jobs, extension of hospitalization benefits to the Bloomington workers, and supplementation by RCA of workmen's compensation payments to 80 per cent of normal earnings.

SALINAS—Home of California Rodeo

NLRB POLICY ON LOCKOUTS REVERSED

The National Labor Relations Board ruled four to one that where a union bargaining jointly with a number of employers strikes against one of them, the others may engage in a lockout.

The decision was another in a series of reversals of doctrines laid down by former NLRB members under the Truman Administration. The board heretofore had held that a lockout by other employers when one of their number was struck was an illegal discouragement of union activity.

The majority of the present board said that in the absence of "any independent evidence of anti-union motivation" the lockout action of other employers is "defensive and privileged in nature, rather than retaliatory and unlawful."

"The calculated purpose of maintaining a strike against one employer and threatening to strike others in the employer group at future times is to cause successive and individual employer capitulations," the majority said.

The decision came in a case involving a Buffalo group of laundry

supply companies bargaining with the Teamsters for laundry truck drivers. The union complained that a lockout by other firms when it struck one of them was illegal.

P.O. Clerks Meet In Cincinnati

Union policies in the aftermath of the most bitter Post Office fight in 25 years will be decided by some 1,000 representatives of postal clerks of the U.S. and U.S. possessions at the 28th biennial convention of the National Federation of Post Office Clerks, here August 23-28.

Delegates will consider means of obtaining complete recognition of Government employee organizations and gaining other legislative benefits.

"The policies decided at this convention will be crucial," said NFPOC President Leo George. "We will have to make sure that we will continue to be strong enough to throw back any attack on postal jobs and salaries that might follow the 1954 drive."

FINANCIAL WIZARD

A wonder is the family that lives on last month's income instead of next month's.



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Lady Labor Champ Backs \$100 Pension

A grand old fighter for employment rights in California has accepted a challenge for one more battle.

She is Mrs. Isabel Schmitz Blasi, of 1448-52nd Avenue, Oakland, known as the "Mother of women's employment rights," and "Mother of the eight-hour law," for her championship of early reforms in California industries. Now, at 72, Mrs. Blasi is championing another cause—\$100 a month pensions for the needy aged.

In an interview at her Oakland home, Mrs. Blasi recalled the early days when she first began leading the fight for women's employment rights.

"I was a skilled cannery worker, and I was demonstrating fruit cutting at the 1915 World's Fair. A woman came up and startled me by saying, 'You look like somebody who could stand up for what's right.'"

The stranger identified herself as Katherine Phillips Edson, the only woman member of the newly created State Industrial Welfare Commission. She offered me an assignment representing employees of the canning industry on the first State Wage Board.

"I thought it over for several days. About girls working long hours, day or night, in the canneries. The girls who had only cold water and no sanitary facilities in the rest rooms. When Mrs. Edson came back, I told her I would serve on the Wage Board."

Mrs. Blasi recalls the decision as a turning point in her life. That first Wage Board on which she served in 1916 made history; the eight hour day was made compulsory, with time and a half for overtime; night work for women was eliminated; sanitary standards were laid down and made compulsory; wage rates were adjusted, among other improvements.

"But," she says, "there is still a group that needs help—the needy folks too old to work—and I am to do my bit for them."

The foremost campaigner for a decent, living pension for the old folks, George McLain, can be seen every Sunday on the "Torch for Victory" program, over KGO-TV (7), San Francisco, at 9:45 a.m., and KABC-TV (7), Los Angeles, at 3:45 p.m.

Scholarship Story in Congressional Record

(State Fed. Release)

The story of the state AFL's annual high school scholarship contest has been put in the Congressional Record by Congressman Clyde Doyle of California's 23rd District.

Doyle, a Democrat, has been a constant friend of organized labor in the House. The southern California Congressman's story of the AFL contest explains the functions and purposes of the annual competition in which the State Federation of Labor awards three \$500 scholarships to be applied at any college the winners may choose to enter.

Winners of the 1954 contest will be presented their awards at the State Federation's convention in Santa Barbara. Presentations will be made Wednesday morning, August 25.

The winners are: Donna Hardesty, La Jolla High School, La Jolla; Richard Kirk, Christian Brothers High School, Sacramento; and William D. Mathewson, Stockton High School, Stockton.

Take part in union affairs. Your union is as democratic as you make it.

Attend Meetings!

LABORERS 272

By JOHN F. MATTOS, Secretary and Business Agent

Work for our Laborers has not picked up; there is very little change from the past week. The construction that is dependent on the local plumbers is at a standstill. We hope that this condition will change in the near future.

Many of our members have gone to Spreckles to work. A question has arisen as to these members' benefits.

Brother Ira Smith is confined to the hospital with his foot in a cast. Watch your step, Ira!

Commencing August 1, 1954 the new additional benefits will be as follows from the Laborers Health & Welfare Trust Fund for Northern California. For dependents of eligible laborers, the same benefits as now exist for the laborers (except Life Insurance and Accidental Death and Dismemberment). Maternity Benefits (up to \$150.00 for hospital expense and up to \$150.00 for surgical expense).

Diagnostic x-ray and laboratory benefits up to \$50.00 for each sickness or injury.

Supplemental accident benefits (up to \$300.00 for costs of care and treatment as a result of non-occupational accident).

Dependents are lawful spouse and unmarried children between 14 days and 19 years of age.

This is a "must" before a claim can be paid: Your enrollment card must be on file with the Welfare office. Is yours in?

The above is as of August 1, your increase of \$.02½ across the board for laborers is also August 1, as is the increase for Brick Tenders.

Be sure you are receiving the increase.

Remember also that Larsen Plumbing Co. and the Plaza Theatre are not considered as friends of this organization.

The John Delphia crew on the Freeway seem to be a jolly and friendly crew. This means to any observer that the members are very happy and satisfied.

There is a flagman on Sanborn Road working for John Delphia that is a very important spoke in the wheel. This member is carrying one of the oldest books in this Local. In fact the number is 13. Ask this brother how far this organization has come since is stated, but you had better have plenty of time on your hands and be ready to listen. This member will not spare the horses on these issues. The member is Joe Vidal Sanshez and may he carry the same number for the next 50 years!

There have been many questions asked why Hank's Drug Store building was not being worked on. The answer that I received is that Hampshire is awaiting steel.

Herbert Sioussat and Ivan Twedie have their model home open for inspection in the Benito Tract, Hollister. These homes sell for \$10,850. No down payment, \$65 per month. Everett Mathews from Hollister is the realtor, phone Hollister 138. The builders claim that 24 homes are already spoken for or considered sold, and that payments include everything except closing costs that must be paid. Frank Cortez plastered these houses, Robert Smith built the chimneys. The superintendent is a local man, Moore Lumber Co. furnished the materials. Herman Willard of Hollister is furnishing the cement.

Granite Construction Co. is fixing streets in Hollister and Mr. Parrish is the Superintendent for Granite on the Bolada Park Bridge job.

The pipeline job in Hollister is rapidly approaching the destination. Lou Robinson says one more week will finish the job. Some of our people are leaving this job and moving to more fertile territories.

Happy returns of the day to these brothers: Sabino Rodriguez, Preston Harris and Phillip Gomez.

Alfred Juncker is building a parsonage in Gonzales for the Com-

munity Church, Guy Paulsen a member of the Salinas Carpenters is the superintendent. Donahue poured the concrete.

Axel Carlsen is doing the fire job at Mac's Cafe on Monterey Street. Bill Radke & Son from Gilroy is putting in a Union Oil Service Station at Greenfield. Los Gatos Construction Co. is doing some under ground work in Soledad. Fox & Butler doing some street work in Soledad also. Granite Construction has a good many curbs and gutters in the Soledad Area. The Maynard & Smith houses in the same area are being lathed and made ready for plaster.

For a little, one may get a lot—Four Monterey men ranging from 19 to 25 years of age picked up two hitch-hiking soldiers at Fort Ord July 21, drove them to a side road on Government property and robbed them of all their money, totaling 32 cents, or 8 cents for each desperado. If convicted, each could get as his eight cents worth a \$10,000 fine and 35 years in the Federal penitentiary.

You old timers may remember Shirley Temple 20 years ago signed a movie contract for a \$1,000 per week. Nice work and money if you can get it.

Big "Mike" Porter, son of Jack the hodcarrier, was the heavy sticker in the Babe Ruth League, batting .400 for the season. He received a trophy and the sponsor, O. E. Houston, gave the team and their families a barbecue and entertainment at Bolado last Sunday.

By the time that this reaches the members the Irish Company will have pulled all equipment out of the area. Four laborers will remain on the job. Good luck, boys, take care of this George.

Mrs. Johnson and family have left on an extended vacation to the states of Washington and Idaho to visit friends and relatives. The Redwood Highway was the planned route. Coming home the story went something like this: If Reno is good to us we may stay awhile, if not we man come right home. If there was anything we could do to help the Johnsons in Reno, I'm sure that we would all be for it. Lots of fun folks! Have said luck first because if their luck is good we know they will have fun.

Members going to work in the Monterey area should contact Brother Jenkins of Local 690 for a clearance. The same applies to any area, see the Secretary or Business Representative first, before going to work and you will be helping your own conditions. If you don't know the man on the job with you say, "Here's my Ducat." "Where's yours?" This really gets the results. Try it and find out for yourself.

Remember Blood Bank September 6. Remember your dues. August dues are due. Remember your meeting September 13, Salinas. Are you registered to Vote? Elect your friends, defeat your enemies.

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A motorist stopped at night to change a tire. He was brushed by another car, the driver of which had not seen him. Although the stalled motorist had flares, he did not know how to light them because the directions were difficult to read at night. All cars should be provided with three or more red flares carried in a case that is securely fastened to the inside of the body of the car. Do not carry in the trunk. If stalled, go back 100 feet or more and light a flare. Do not wait until an emergency arrives to learn how to use a flare. Waste one, if necessary, for a trial to make sure you know what to do in an emergency.

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TYPOGRAPHICAL UNION 758—Meets 3rd Friday, Bartenders Hall, 7:30 p.m. Pres., Cecil D. Starnes, 4071 Cass St., ph. 2-6156; Sec., A. B. Rotter, 412 De La Vina, ph. 5-5406.

'Strength Needed In Dealing With Reds,' Says Meany

New Brunswick, N.J.—George Meany, AFL president, told the 24th Annual Rutgers AFL Labor Institute, that the Communists can be dealt with only from a position of strength.

Meany declared that we can expect peace only if the Communists are convinced that they would lose a war. They must, he said, demonstrate good intentions by undoing some of the evils they have caused.

The AFL president also said that trade union thinking should contribute to the making of American foreign policy.

In his address, Meany gave a brief review of AFL activities in fighting against Communism and for free trade unionism abroad. He said the AFL has an obligation to trade union members throughout the world to help them keep free and to raise their economic standards so they can contribute toward world peace.

AFL activity in foreign affairs began with Samuel Gompers, the first president, Meany related. He spoke of Gompers' work at the peace conference after World War I, and of the resultant establishment of the International Labor Organization.

Meany referred to the AFL refusal to join the Communist-dominated World Federation of Trade Unions, the AFL part in helping set up the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions, and in helping set up free trade unionism in West Germany.

Meany addressed the banquet session of the institute. A part of the program was the presentation of the Medal of Achievement to Lewis M. Herrmann, editor of the New Jersey Labor Herald, and chairman of the Rutgers University Institute of Management and Labor Relations Advisory Council. The medal is "for service to labor and education."

Morse Lambasts Eisenhower Record

Atlantic City, N.J.—Sen. Wayne Morse (Ind., Ore.) said that President Eisenhower had laid down the challenge of the 1954 campaign by indicating he would stand on the legislative record of his Administration.

"The liberals gladly accept the challenge," Morse told 400 delegates to the convention of the International Handbag, Luggage, Belt and Novelty Workers Union at the Ambassador Hotel.

He said the Administration's legislative record is "so bad that it warrants the election of Democrats to place a check on it."

1,900,000 Hurt Or Sick During June in Calif.

An estimated 1,900,000 Californians were disabled for one or more days during June because of illness or injury, it is reported by Dr. Malcolm H. Merrill, state director of public health.

The report, which disclosed that approximately two of every thirteen citizens were ill or injured during the month, is the first in a series of monthly tabulations of results of a current one-year survey to determine the state of California's health. The survey, which got under way in May of this year, proposes to measure not only the nature of illness among people of California, but also how much time is lost because of it.

The report showed that an estimated 720,000 Californians suffered colds or other acute upper respiratory diseases in June. Of these, according to the director, 340,000 were disabled for one or more days. An additional 270,000 individuals suffered acute gastrointestinal disorders, of which 60,000 were disabled for one or more days, according to survey results. Tabulations have not been completed on the remaining causes of disability, but preliminary figures disclose that a large proportion will be classified as chronic disease, Dr. Merrill said.

Days of disability as counted in the survey, explained the director, include all days on which a person was confined to his bed or home, or otherwise kept from his usual activities.

On the average, 59 of every 1,000 Californians were disabled daily; four of every 1,000 by colds and other acute upper respiratory diseases, and less than one per 1,000 by acute gastro-intestinal disorder. On the average, each day 16 out of every 1,000 workers were off the job because of illness or injury, while among housewives, a daily average of 29 of every 1,000 were kept from household duties.

The estimates shown by this and future reports will be further refined as survey information is accumulated, spelling out in detail the major and minor causes of sickness, how much time is lost from work because of rheumatism, heart disease, and home accidents, what proportion of Californians go to a hospital each year, and what kind and amount of illness occurs in the various occupational groups.

Numbered among the acute upper respiratory diseases are colds, influenza and other acute conditions affecting the nose, throat and bronchial tubes. Acute gastrointestinal disorders include dysentery, diarrhea, "food poisoning" and "stomach" and "intestinal flu."

The information was obtained through personal interviews of a weekly sampling of households throughout the state and data for the June report were based on the combination of four weekly samples, comprising about 1,000 household interviews.

The sampling does not include persons in institutions, non-residents, or persons living on military posts.

Dangerous Pipe

An irrigator stood a section of aluminum irrigation pipe on end in order to dislodge some dirt. The pipe contacted the overhead power lines and the man was electrocuted. Workmen should develop the habit of never standing the pipe upright. If the pipe is dirty, flush it out with water. Do not store such pipe under or near power lines. Post our bulletin No. 275 on any farm when light weight irrigation pipe is used.

HIT USE OF CONVICT LABOR ON STATE JOB

A decision by the State Division of Finance to use convict labor for refinishing of furniture in various state offices, taking the work away from a San Francisco firm which had submitted the low bid and signed a contract, will be fought by the San Francisco Building & Construction Trades Council.

The council voted at its last meeting to take this action after hearing a report from Sec.-Treas. Daniel Del Carlo, who along with Council Bus. Rep. Al Mailloux had been called into the situation by Bus. Rep. Tom Connolly of Furniture Finishers Local 134.

James Soares, San Francisco fur-

niture contractor, had put in a low bid of \$4,050 for this particular job and had already signed the papers when the state economizers dreamed up the idea of using prisoners to do the work.

Apart from the fact that this is contrary to public policy and would rob the employer and the craftsmen of this work, it was pointed out that the idea is also thoroughly impractical. It would take a long time, perhaps years, to get it done by convicts, whereas it would be done quickly and efficiently if done by the private firm.

Workers' Earnings Off \$900,000,000 From June 1953

Washington—Americans' earnings in June fell far below those of a year earlier, the Commerce Department reported. The annual rate in June 1954 of \$286.4 billion was \$900 million below that of June 1953.

Retal wages and salaries for the first six months dropped by \$2½ billion from the same period a year ago. The decline centered in the durable—goods manufacturing, the department said.

IAM Booklet Aids Fight on Dermatitis

The International Association of Machinists has published a booklet to aid in the fight against dermatitis, one of the nation's troublesome industrial diseases.

The booklet, "What to Do About Dermatitis," is written in nontechnical language for working men and women. It sells for 15 cents a copy and may be obtained from the IAM, Machinists Building, Washington 1, D.C.

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Labor News

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Sometimes we feel like the successful executive—the man who fulfilled his boyhood ambition. When he was a boy, the kids pulled his hair and he always wished he didn't have any!

Good news for the buyers of Irving Auerbach's book, "Are Unions Necessary?" The writer says the book will be in the hands of advance subscribers by Labor Day. Auerbach had a whale of a time getting the book published. He started the book three years ago, but had it rejected time and again by the "big business" publishing houses who were afraid of reprisals from employer groups if they handled such a pro-labor book. As result, Auerbach had to have the book printed at his own expense. It sells for \$3.75 and is said to be a revelation for the believers in Organized Labor. Endorsements have been given by the AFL, CIO, and most top unions. Auerbach lives in San Francisco and you can order the book from him by writing to 68 7th Ave., S.F. 18.

QUIZ: Try these and then check your answers at the end of this column: 1. The union leader known as "father" of Labor Day is (a) Abraham Lincoln, (b) Peter McGuire, (c) John Mitchell; 3. Thirty years ago Labor supported a liberal candidate from Wisconsin for U.S. President, his name being (a) Bob LaFollette, (b) William Norris, (c) Wm. Jennings Bryan; 3. The Committee on Government Contracts deals with (a) production standards, (b) social security benefits, (c) fair employment practices; 4. AFL Sec.-Treas. Wm. B. Schnitzler is a member of (a) Garment Workers Union, (b) Bakers Union, (c) Building Trades; 5. CIO Sec.-Treas. James B. Carey is member of (a) Retail, Wholesale & Department Stores Employees Union, (b) Communications Workers Union, (c) Electrical Workers Union.

Our congratulations to Edward P. Park, a good friend and Labor Commissioner for the State of California. Park has been re-appointed to his position by Governor Knight. His appointment may upset a lot of people who have been trying to play politics to get the job for themselves, but the governor made a good choice in keeping Park—a good choice in two ways, retaining a good man and not appointing one man over another hopeful.

Lots of delegates going to lots of conventions these days, and most of them are asking if we are going to a convention soon. The answer is: NO! The State Federation of Labor will come to San Jose next year, we hope, and then we'll have full hands—so we're resting easy until then!

We've talked a lot about Little League baseball and how the unions should do more about sponsoring teams. One reason is that we've managed a team for the past two seasons and know first hand the good done to the youngsters when the League is operated properly. Hope next year more unions will take more part in this excellent youth-development program which beats many better known programs all the way. (P.S. We won the championship in our league this year!)

ANSWERS: 1. (b), 2. (a), 3. (c), 4. (b), 5. (c).

Just a final suggestion—lots of times when you think a listener to your long discourse is yawning, is may actually be that he's only trying to get a word in somewhere!

Culinary-Bar Union Sending Two to Confabs

Two delegates will represent Culinary-Bartenders Union 345 of Santa Cruz County at the coming convention of the California State Council of Culinary Workers and Bartenders at Santa Barbara, August 21-22.

Secy.-Treasurer Mildred Rowe and Macil Hansen, Santa Cruz area office secretary, will attend the convention. Mrs. Hansen will remain in Santa Barbara for the convention of the California State Federation of Labor, starting August 23.

Mrs. Rowe reported excellent progress in recent organizing efforts, with 43 new members listed for the month of July—17 through initiation, 14 through transfer card and 12 through reinstatements. August results are expected to be as good.

Local 345 has gained a contract with The Plaza, Santa Cruz restaurant at 1538 Pacific Ave. Proprietor Al Cattera announces a free cioppino feed for regular customers on the second Friday of each month. The restaurant will operate 100 per cent union and will display the union house card.

Anita Hurst, member of Local 345 who has been spending her vacation with her parents in Indiana, is expected home soon. Employed at Resetar Coffee Shop. Bill Hurst will be happy to have her home.

John Marinovich, cook at the Royal Grill, has returned home from a month of vacation with his daughters and grandchildren in Seattle.

Christine Sherman, member of Local 345, from Imperial, Calif., spent last weekend visiting her sisters, Myrtle Peterson, Avis De Mars and Hazel Shireman.

Maurice Nolan, former chef at Deer Park, is reported seriously ill in Oakland. Members of Local 345 wish him a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Mandella are the proud parents of a son, born in San Jose on June 28, and given the name Victor Paul. Mr. and Mrs. Victor Mandella also are boasting the birth of a son, Michael Joseph, on July 14 in San Jose. The Mandellas are members of Local 345 and are proprietors of Mambo Gardens on Beach Street in Santa Cruz. They are former residents of San Jose.

Triena Escalante has taken over the cafe at Louie's Club on Walker Street in Watsonville, and has employed Emma Blight, a member of Local 345.

Avis De Mars has returned to San Francisco after having been employed at the Royal Grill in Watsonville for a couple of months. Avis was formerly a resident of this city for many years.

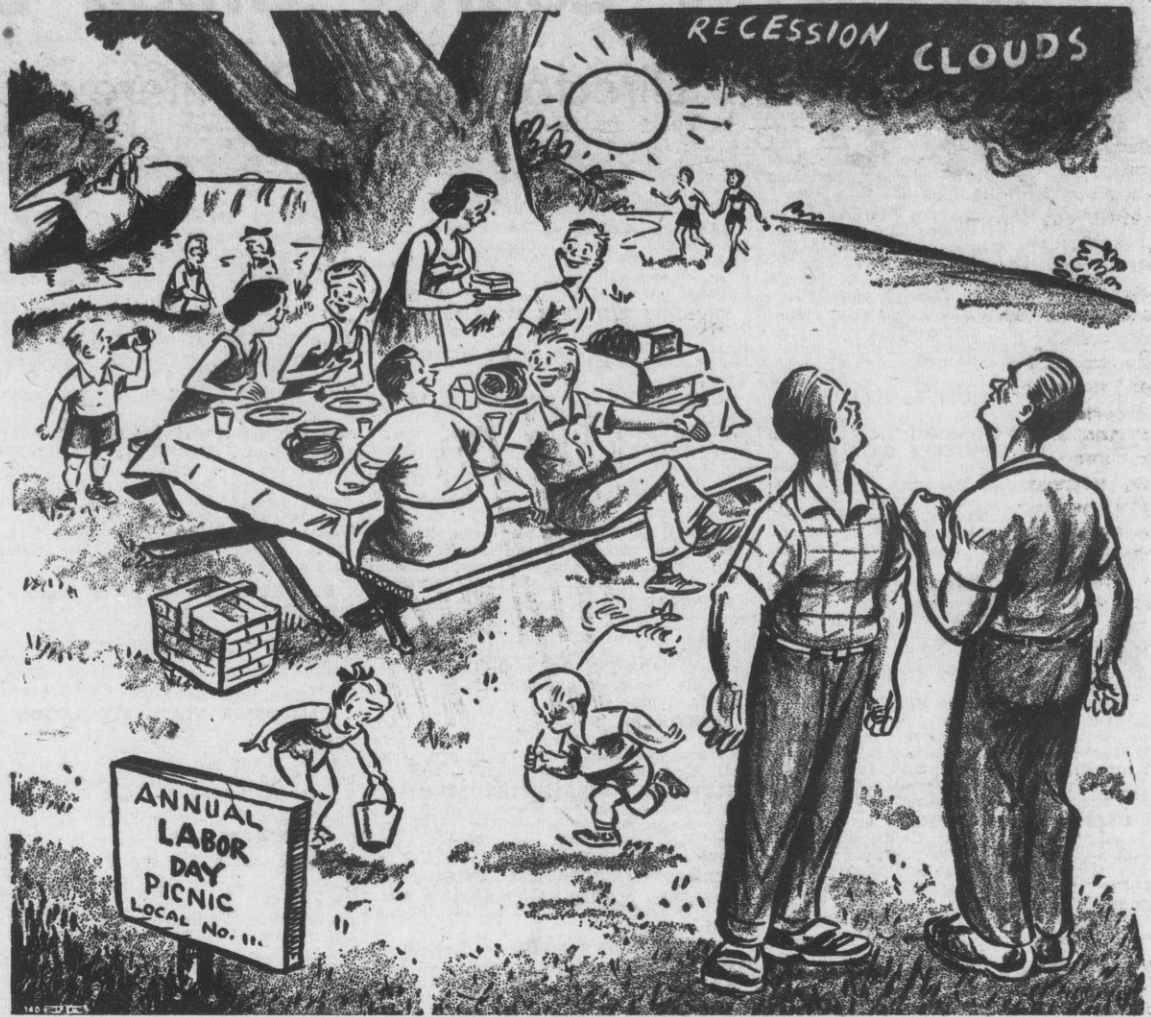
Mary Barker is working at the Del Monte Cafe in Watsonville during the absence of Myrtle Cole, who was called away on account of illness in her family.

Gertrude Newby has returned to Watsonville after an absence of several months and is again employed at Larry's Cafe.

Sid Rock has again returned to act as beverage dispenser at the Miramar Bar after an absence of several months.

Carl Mylar has been discharged from the Veterans Hospital and is again employed at the Rex Bar in Watsonville.

'Let's Hope it Doesn't Rain'



Hartnell Grid Schedule Set

Hartnell College in Salinas will play a 10-game football schedule this year, all but three at home. The schedule is as follows: Sept. 18, Yuba College, in Marysville; Sept. 25, Porterfield, in Salinas; Oct. 1, L. A. Harbor, at Los Angeles; Oct. 8 Fresno State Frosh, in Salinas; Oct. 16, Menlo Jr. College, in Hartnell; Oct. 22, Contra Costa Eastern, in Salinas; Oct. 30, San Mateo J.C. in Redwood City; Nov. 5, Cal. Poly. Frosh, in Salinas; Nov. 12, San Jose J.C. in Salinas; Nov. 25 (noon), Monterey Peninsula College, in Salinas.

Valley League Playoff Opens

With five teams tied for leadership of the first half and with two teams tied for leadership of the second half, an interesting and involved playoff is underway for the Salinas Valley Baseball League, according to Commissioner Jimmie Butler.

Of seven teams in the league, six are involved in the playoffs. Tied in the first half were Alisal, Greenfield, Watsonville, Soledad and King City. The second half tie involves King City and Gonzales. Butler said the local newspapers would contain playoff schedules.

Appetite Teasers★

RAGOUT OF BEEF

2 pounds lean raw beef
Salt and pepper
Flour
Fat
1 onion, chopped
1 green pepper, chopped
1 cup chopped celery and leaves
2 tablespoons chopped parsley
Paprika

Cut the beef in inch cubes and sprinkle with salt, pepper and flour. Brown well in two to three tablespoons of fat, and while browning add the onion, green pepper, celery and parsley. Sprinkle with paprika, add water to cover, put on a lid, and cook slowly for 2½ to three hours or until the meat is tender. If the stew is not thick enough, mix one to two tablespoons of flour to a smooth paste with an equal quantity of cold water. To the paste add several spoonfuls of the stew and cook until smooth and thickened. Season to taste with salt and pepper, adding, if desired, tomato catsup, or chili sauce, or grated horseradish.

HAPPY MAN

The man who lives within his income lives without worry—and a lot of other things.

Must Censure 83rd Congress

New York City.—The 83rd Congress failed the farmers and the nation's consumers, the AFL Executive Council declared in its session here at the Hotel Commodore. The council called upon the people to show their reaction at the polls November 2.

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"The first session in 1953," the council said, "was almost entirely devoid of positive accomplishment, and was marked by the vote to give away the Nation's undersea oil reserves to a few coastal states for private exploitation."

"The second session has been even more acutely disappointing. Great issues have been left unresolved. For seven months, Congress has dawdled and then disposed of major national and international problems either by doing nothing or by taking inadequate action. Few measures contributing to the national well being have been adopted."

The council particularized its attitude on nine specified issues: foreign affairs, national defense, the national economy, labor management legislation, the minimum wage, Social Security, housing, taxation, and health.

"What is the answer to this barren performance by Congress?" the AFL asked. "The answer is up to the American people."

"On Nov. 2, they will have the precious opportunity of casting a vote of censure against those members of Congress who have deserted the public interest, and casting a vote of approbation for those other members of Congress who have fought valiantly but in vain to protect the public interest."

"The American Federation of Labor will do everything in its power, through Labor's League for Political Education, to make the record of Congressional candidates clear to the workers of this country and to encourage a full vote."

The AFL, in making the statement, said that in judging the record of the 83rd Congress, the council "shunned partisan, political considerations and used only one yardstick, the public interest."

